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Inventor(s): An H. Lam

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Application No.: 10/816896

Examiner: Chandran, Biju

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Group Art Unit: 2835

Title: Back Plane And Mid-Plane Assemblies And Related Systems And Methods

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INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$360	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$120.00	2ND MONTH \$450.00	3RD MONTH \$1020.00	4TH MONTH \$1590.00		\$ 0
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INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$380	\$ 0
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed 6 December 2005, the Applicant amends and remarks as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.